

December 2004

To the Residents of the Township of Buffalo,

We would like to update you on several items and topics that concern residents of our township.

1. **BOARD MEETINGS:** The town holds its board meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month. The public is always welcome to attend. Meeting notices are published in the Marquette County Tribune and posted at the Town Hall, Recycling Center, and at Woods and Goods. You can also have meeting notices emailed to you by contacting the Town Clerk at townshipofbuffalo@yahoo.com
2. **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:** The town has been working on a Comprehensive Plan and Subdivision/Land Division Ordinance for our township. A public hearing on the Subdivision/Land Division Ordinance was held on November 22nd. The Town Board will discuss implementing the Comprehensive Plan and the Subdivision/Land Division Ordinance at the December 13 meeting. Several public hearings will be held in 2005 that you can still be a part of if you are interested in implementing provisions of the comprehensive plan.
3. **RECYCLING CENTER:** The Recycling Center is open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to Noon. It is also open on Wednesday evenings during the summer months from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. If you have any large items that you want to get rid of in between our two yearly large item pick-ups, please contact Dorothy Schwochert at (608) 297-7018 to make arrangements. Garbage and large items cannot be left outside the recycling center.
4. **BUILDING PERMITS & UNIFORM DWELLING CODE PERMIT:** Anyone who has done any building in 2004 that did not get a building permit has until January 30, 2005 to do so. Failure to do so will result in a fine. Building permits are to be obtained prior to the start of construction. Questions regarding building permits should be directed to Becki Kearns, Town Clerk at (920) 394-3732.

The State has passed a Uniform Dwelling Code Permit. After you receive your Building Permit from the Town of Buffalo, you will need to apply for a Uniform Dwelling Code Permit from the County. Your building project will then be inspected at several stages by the firm the county hired.

5. **FIRE SIGNS:** In 2005 the Town will begin replacing existing fire signs with two-sided signs so that they are easily seen by emergency response personnel. Please be sure your existing sign is not covered by brush, trees, etc. Your help in this matter is appreciated.
6. **TAXES:** Real estate taxes paid after January 31, 2005 need to be made payable to the Marquette County Treasurer. Any questions regarding the second half which is due in July should be addressed to the County Treasurer, Diana Campbell at (608) 297-9136, ext. 248. Personal property taxes will still be payable to the Township of Buffalo Treasurer. Any questions regarding them should be directed to Jean Rataczak, Town Treasurer at (608) 297-2391.

The Town Board welcomes all questions and comments. Our contact information can be found below.

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